

APPROVE AWARDS FOR 910 SUPPLIES

Commissioners Act Favorably on Contracts for Next Fiscal Year.

The Commissioners have approved the recommendations of the board of awards for the District Government during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1910. In many instances there have been divisions of the contracts for the various articles needed, the bids being itemized. Several contractors are therefore noted as securing contracts for the same class of articles.

The general supplies of the District include those items which are in general use throughout the various branches of the Government and Government institutions. The successful bidders on the various contracts include:

Purchase of waste paper, Cook, Bernheimer & Co.; flags, American Flag Company and M. G. Copeland Company; groceries, Somerset R. Waters, Frank Hume, Armour & Co., J. A. Whitfield, Swift & Co., James F. Oyster, Blum Brothers, Fleischman Company, West Disinfecting Company, Lewis Hopfenmaier, Corby Brothers, Havenner Baking Company, and W. M. Galt & Co.; plumbing supplies, Thomas Somerville Company, Cuyler & Mohler, James B. Lambie Company, Inc., and Washington Rubber Company; boots and shoes, H. Kaufman & Co., William Hahn & Co., R. Berberich & Sons, Washington Rubber Company, and E. Rich's Sons; lumber, Thomas W. Smith, W. H. Church, Martin Weigand, and W. T. Gallagher; dry goods, Lamsburg & Bro., Blum Brothers, Webster & Co., Harry Kaufman Company, Washington Rubber Company, and Lutz & Co.; athletic goods, Schorling, Daly & Gale, and A. G. Spalding; photographic supplies, Columbia Photo Supply Company, E. J. Fulman, M. A. Leese, and R. H. Luthin; school books, R. Carter, Ballantyne, William J. C. Dulany, Milton Bradley Company, and Houghton, Mifflin Company; kindergarten supplies, R. Carter, Ballantyne, Milton Bradley Company, William J. C. Dulany, and Fred A. Schmidt.

SCHOOL EQUIPMENT BIDS MADE KNOWN

Bids for furnishing electrical supplies to the various high schools have been opened in the boardroom of the District building. For furnishing complete switchboards to the laboratories at the Central, Eastern, and Western schools, the following bids were received:

Taunton-New Bedford Copper Company, marble-mounted boards, \$3,577; slate mounted, \$3,500; E. C. Tibbals & Co., Brooklyn, N. Y., marble, \$3,300; slate, \$3,236.20; Western Electric Company, New York, marble, \$3,353.46; slate, \$4,487.42; and the General Electric Company, Schenectady, marble, \$3,945; slate, \$3,770.

For furnishing two grades of motor generators for the laboratories of the same schools the following bids were received: Fort Wayne Electric Works, New York, method A, \$488; B, \$469; National Electric Supply Company, Washington, \$745; Richmond Electric Company, Richmond, Va., A, \$618; Western Electric Company, New York, A, \$688; Charles J. Bourne Electric Company, New York, A, \$600; General Electric Company, Schenectady, A, \$654; B, \$650; Wagner Electric Manufacturing Company, St. Louis, A, \$670; Holtzer-Cabot Electric Company, Brookline, Mass., A, \$655.

Contract Approved.
Commissioner Macfarland has approved the recommendation of Electrical Engineer Walter C. Allen that the contract for lighting the streets not illuminated with naphtha street lamps be awarded to the American Street Lighting Company whose bid of \$22.50 per lamp per annum is therefore accepted.

LIGHTNING CAUSES HAVOC IN VIRGINIA

Child Thrown From Bed; Poorhouse Struck and Burned; Innmate Killed.

WINCHESTER, Va., June 8.—Lightning struck the home of Wm. Scott, at Grimes, this county, and burned it to the ground. A child was thrown from its bed and badly injured, while other members of the family were rescued with difficulty. Hall caused much damage to apple orchards.

Poor House Struck.
FREDERICKSBURG, Va., June 8.—During a severe electrical storm, which passed over here, the negro department of the city poorhouse was struck by lightning and burned. Mary Fox, an aged inmate, was found dead under her bed several hours later.

Flash Explodes Dynamite.
KINGSTON, Jamaica, June 8.—A quantity of dynamite, said to have been between 2,000 and 3,000 pounds, was exploded by lightning at the railway stores here. One man was killed and another seriously injured. Almost an entire block of store buildings was wrecked.

RED MEN TO GIVE LODGE DEGREES

The great chiefs of the Great Council, Improved Order of Red Men, Reservation District of Columbia, and a degree team, will exemplify the ceremonies for the institution of tribes, in the opening of Osceola Tribe, No. 13, at Masonic Temple, Tenleytown, tonight. Osceola and Seminole Tribes, Hunting Grounds of Alexandria, Reservation of Virginia will trail to Tenleytown for the purpose of being present at the ceremonies.

JACK LONDON "BLUE" ABOUT HIS HEALTH

HONOLULU, June 8.—Jack London has written a letter from Sydney to Dr. E. S. Goodhue, of Honolulu, in which the novelist gives a gloomy sketch of his physical condition. He goes into details of his malady, specifying five different diseases from which he has suffered. He tells of being relieved of two maladies by operations in Sydney, but he still has malarial fever, while a nervous affliction has wrecked his strength and prevents him from doing any work. He expects to sell the "Snark" and come home.

DOESN'T WANT HUBBY UNDER PAPA'S THUMB

That's the Reason Miss Mary Adele Case Broke Off Her Engagement to Claus Spreckels, Jr.—Still Loyal to Stage, Too.

NEW YORK, June 8.—"I have some important news for you," said Miss Mary Adele Case today at the Knickerbocker Hotel. "My engagement to Claus Spreckels, Jr., is broken. I broke it myself. I will soon leave for Seattle. I was never so happy in my life."

Thus ended the romance begun in Paris, continued across the Atlantic, and suddenly checked by a wireless message from John D. Spreckels.

"Why did you break the engagement?" was asked.

"Because Mr. Spreckels' father said something I didn't like. He said that no daughter-in-law of his should sing on the stage. And he said that it was I who put operatic notions in Claus' head."

"Now, I wouldn't stand for that. I love my music and I am going to sing

on the concert stage, and I have made up my mind to go into opera. And although I didn't expect to devote my time entirely to singing if I married Mr. Spreckels, yet I did expect to sing when I wanted to."

As for my putting operatic notions into Claus' head, I never did. I told him all along that he ought to go into business. He hasn't a voice good enough to be a successful stage star.

"Our romance has been a very happy one, but I simply couldn't tie myself down to a man who is so completely under his father's thumb. I didn't want to marry him for his money. I can make enough for myself—that is why I am so independent."

"Claus says he is going to follow me West to settle this thing, but I tell you it is settled now. Still, if you hear that I am married during the next few weeks please don't think me the greatest provocateur you ever knew."

REYNOLDS AGREES TO DISCUSS CHANGE

Will Address Full Chamber of Commerce Some Time Next Week.

James Bronson Reynolds, who, as a special investigator for President Roosevelt, recommended radical changes in the present form of District government, has agreed to appear before the Washington Chamber of Commerce and elaborate on the views expressed in his original report.

In a letter received by President Gude this morning, which was a reply to a special invitation extended to Mr. Reynolds, he expresses a hearty willingness to tell Washington business men what he believes is needed to bring improvement to the District governmental machinery. Mr. Reynolds suggested Wednesday or Thursday of next week, but the definite time will be fixed after a consultation between President Gude, Ernest H. Daniel, chairman of the subcommittee on the change in the form of District government, and A. Leftwich Sinclair, chairman of the committee on law and legislation.

Mr. Reynolds' appearance will be before the full Chamber, and it will preclude any previous discussion of the subject. Francis S. K. Smith, author of a resolution recommending a change based on Mr. Reynolds' report, is desirous of presenting his views at tonight's full meeting of the Chamber, but in view of the fact that a majority of the subcommittee on the proposed change of government favor foregoing the general discussion until after Mr. Reynolds has spoken, it is thought this plan will be carried out.

Several members of Congress will also speak on the night when Mr. Reynolds appears. Requests have been received by several, and their names will be announced as soon as the arrangements for the coming meeting are completed. Other meetings at the Chamber of Commerce rooms will be that of the playgrounds committee tomorrow evening at 4:30 o'clock, over which Vice Chairman A. C. Moses will preside, and a special meeting of retail jewelers tomorrow night at 8 o'clock.

EXPLOSIONS DAMAGE BIG RAILROAD BRIDGE

Attempt Also Made to Wreck Buffalo Train—Police After Suspects.

BUFFALO, N. Y., June 8.—The steel superstructure of the New York Central's uncompleted viaduct at East Ferry and Grider streets, was badly damaged by three explosions of dynamite early today. No motive is known. The dynamiting was coupled with an attempt to wreck the first train that approached, according to A. C. Cavannaugh, foreman of the bridges for the railroad, who made an investigation. He said that he had found two immense deck plates put upright between the tracks at the north end of the bridge which was wrecked by the explosions, and that they would have wrecked any train that struck them.

The explosions started the greater part of the city. The police are searching for two men who were seen leaving the scene shortly after.

TOWN FIRE SWEEP.

VALLEY CITY, N. D., June 8.—Fire destroyed most of the village of Nome, this county. The loss is estimated at \$75,000.

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RECEPTION IS GIVEN SAMUEL GOMPERS

Guest of Central Labor Union—Scores Justice Gould in Speech.

That the laboring men of this country want no special privileges, is the statement made by Samuel Gompers to the members of the Central Labor Union at a reception given in his honor.

Mr. Gompers leaves for Europe June 19 and the Central Labor Union tendered him a reception last evening. The members of the union and a number of the international labor officers were present.

Mr. Gompers declared that while the laboring men ask no special privileges, they do want equal rights, equal opportunities and equal treatment before the law. Because the labor leaders have asserted their claim to equal legal rights, he said, judges have issued writs which make government make changes in the law. Gompers severely condemned Justice Gould and the Buck Stove and Range decision.

In discussing his trip abroad, Mr. Gompers said he was making a tour of Europe at the suggestion of the Denver convention of the American Federation of Labor and on the invitation of the leading trades unions of Great Britain and the Continent, and would return to the United States in October. On behalf of the Central Labor Union, John B. Colpoys presented Mr. Gompers with a gold headed cane, suitably engraved.

LEADING DRUGGISTS' UNUSUAL OFFER

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ITALIAN BEATS WIFE AFTER HE SELLS HER

Punishment Is Meted Out Because Mrs. Rapesardo Refuses to Stay Sold.

NEWARK, N. J., June 8.—Because she would not stay "sold" Peter Rapesardo beat his wife, whom he had sold to Giuseppe Tomaselli, and who returned to him.

The sale of the wife took place two years ago, and four months ago Tomaselli went to Italy. Mrs. Rapesardo returned to her husband, when Tomaselli left. The latter returned two weeks ago, and went to Rapesardo to secure the return of the money he had paid for the woman. Rapesardo declined to make any refund, and when Tomaselli had left gave the woman a beating, because of the trouble she had plunged him into. He is now locked up charged with assault.

INDEPENDENTS WIN CHICAGO ELECTION

Advocates of Non-Partisan Judiciary in Cook County Carry Ticket Through.

CHICAGO, June 8.—Independents and advocates of a non-partisan judiciary are congratulating themselves over the result of yesterday's election in Cook county.

One superior court judge was chosen and fourteen judges of the circuit court. Of these nine are Republicans and six Democrats.

The Republicans, Democrats and Socialists put complete tickets in the field. The Socialists hoped to elect at least one or two of their candidates through the support of the labor vote, and today they are charging the labor leaders with treachery and failure to fulfill their promises.

CHINESE JUSTICE IS LANDED IN JAIL

Celestial Accused of Illegally Bringing Mongolian Compatriots Into Country.

BOSTON, June 8.—Charles K. Shue, who only six weeks ago received the distinction of becoming the only Chinese Justice of the peace in the United States, is today in jail here. Shue, who is otherwise known as Chin Que Shue, was arrested for the United States authorities on a warrant charging him with aiding in bringing Chinamen into this country illegally. The arrest was made in connection with an alleged smuggling expedition of the schooner Bonita in August, 1906, when Chinmen were brought to this country from Nova Scotia and landed at Marblehead.

MARY GARDEN DYE HER HAIR? ABSURD

It Flows, Like Her Notes, Unadulterated, Soft, Sweet, and Inspiring.

PARIS, June 8.—Miss Mary Garden's eyes were never more attractive nor brilliant nor more fascinating than when a correspondent visited her today. The report cabled to America that the prima donna's eyesight has been hurt by the dyes with which she lent added color to her hair is easily disproved. "The story is a fiction," said Miss Garden, lightly stroking her hair. "As for being blind, 'stuff!' I could have pressed that unanswered, but a woman's crowning beauty, my hair, forces me to an answer."

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